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JOHN MOIR'S  
FAMOUS HOUSEHOLD  
STORES.

Willshire BACON in Wrapper.  
Irish Selected BACON in 2½ and 4lb Tins.  
Cumberland HAMS.  
Breakfast TONGUES.  
Russet OXTONGUES.  
Oxford SAUSAGES.  
HAM, TONGUE, and Chicken SAUSAGE.  
Truffled SAUSAGES.  
Potted MATS and FISH.  
Phillippe and Cassard's PATE DE  
FOIE GRAS.  
Phillippe & Cassard's ASPARA-  
GUS.  
Phillippe & Cassard's SARDINES.  
Gelatine LOZENGES.  
Assorted SWEETS.  
GELATINE.

Mallie's French MUSTARD.  
Anglo Swiss CHOCOLATE and MILK.  
Anglo Swiss COCOA and MILK.  
Crosse & Blackwell's CHOCOLATE.  
Maison's CHOCOLATES Assorted.  
Sobritze's COCOATINA.  
Van Houten's COCOA.  
Epp's COCOA.  
COCAQUES.

Leibig's Extractum CARNIS.  
Smoked COD-ROES.  
Dried SPRATS.  
Finch HADDOCK.  
HERRINGS A LA SARDINE.  
Yarmouth BLOATERS.  
Kipper HERRING.  
Dried HERRINGS.

FARDINES with TOMATOES.  
Assorted PICKLES.  
Assorted JAMS.  
Calf's Foot JELLY.  
Essences for Flavoring.  
SAUCES.

SPICES.  
Candied PEEL, ALMONDS.  
COURNANTS in Bottle and Bulk.  
RAISINS in Bottle and Bulk.  
Miscellaneous; Curryway SEEDS.  
Ground COFFEE.  
Raw COFFEE.

PRESENT TEA in 6 Catty and 10 Catty  
Boxes; Good BREAKFAST TEA 25  
cents per lb.

Hongkong, November 27, 1880.

## Intimations.

THIS HAIR WASH has been prepared  
by us for the last 20 years. Its sale  
is steadily increasing in India, the Straits  
and Japan. It possesses all the qualities  
of a Hair Oil or Pomade, without their  
drawbacks. It induces a healthy action of  
the scalp and nourishes the Hair. Dandruff  
never appears whilst it is in use. It con-  
tains none but the best ingredients, and  
the greatest care is taken in the com-  
pounding. When the Hair falls off after  
fever or any other sickness, this Wash  
will surely prove of the greatest value.



From its great nourishing power on the  
follicles it may in time cause Hair to return  
to its natural color; it, however, does not  
contain a particle of any dyeing ingredient.  
Using it constantly will most certainly pre-  
vent the hair falling. It is clean in use,  
the smallest quantity sufficing. It has no  
sediment, and, therefore, requires no shaking.

J. LLEWELLYN & Co.,  
Shanghai.  
Hongkong Agents: LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

DYNAMITE, FUSES, DETONATORS,  
&c.  
FROM NOBEL'S EXPLOSIVES CO.,  
LIMITED, GLASGOW, can be had in  
any quantity on application to  
THE BORNEO Co., Ltd., Agents.  
Hongkong, March 8, 1880. 8m31

## To-day's Advertisements.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.  
STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, BOMBAY,  
ADEN, SUETZ, PORT SAID, AND  
TRIESTE.

(Peking Cargo at through rates to CAL-  
CUTTA, JEDDAH, ODESSA and the  
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.  
The Co.'s Steamship  
"Ferdinand"  
will be despatched at  
above on THURSDAY,  
the 2nd proximo, at 11 a.m., instead of as  
previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
MELOCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, November 27, 1880. de2

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned have received in-  
structions to sell by Public Auction,  
ON  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 1st December, at 2 o'clock p.m., at  
the WANCHI GODOWN COMPANY'S  
Godown, No. 2, Wanchi.

The following GOODS, namely:—  
Anchors, Chains, Rope, Blocks, Sails,  
Rigging, Wire Rope, and other Ship's  
Apparel, together with Sundry Oilman's  
STORES, saved from the British barque  
"Flecher."  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash in Bank Notes  
on delivery. All Lots, with all faults  
and error of description, to be at Pur-  
chaser's risk on the fall of the hammer,  
and to be cleared within seven days  
from Day of Sale.

HUGHES & LEGGE,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, Nov. 27, 1880. del

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received in-  
structions to sell by Public Auction,  
ON  
**SATURDAY,**  
the 4th December, 1880, at 11 o'clock  
a.m., at Messrs LAMBERT & Co.'s Go-  
downs, No. 61, Wanchi.

(For account of whom it may concern.)  
Ex S.S. "Tunis," from Saigon,  
A Quantity of SALT, about 6,400  
Piculs.  
TERMS.—Cash on delivery.  
G. R. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, Nov. 27, 1880. de4

## To-day's Advertisements.

THE INTERNATIONAL MARINE  
INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,  
OF LIVERPOOL.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents of the above Company, are  
prepared to grant POLICIES on MARINE  
RISKS to all parts of the World.  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Hongkong, Nov. 27, 1880. 27ac81

## SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
Nov. 26, 11.30 p.m., Yangtze, British  
steamer, 782, Schultze, Shanghai Nov. 23,  
4.30 p.m., General.—SHEPPARD & Co.  
Nov. 27, Fuyoo, Chinese steamer, from  
Canton.  
Nov. 27, Palatin, British steamer, from  
Canton.  
Nov. 27, Pernambuco, British steamer,  
645, W. Hyde, Newchwang Nov. 20, Beans.  
MELOCHERS & Co.  
Nov. 27, Kishgar, British steamer, 1514  
S. F. Cole, Bombay Nov. 6, Galla, Penang,  
and Singapore Nov. 23, Mails and General.  
—F. & O. S. N. Co.  
Nov. 27, Emerald, British steamer, 395,  
Talbot, Haiphong, &c., General.—RUSSELL  
& Co.

**DEPARTURES.**  
Nov. 27, Conquest, for Haiphong.  
27, Adolph, for Fanning Island.  
27, Sumida Maru, for Kobe, &c.  
27, Glenorchy, for London, &c.  
27, Yangtze, for Canton.  
27, Palatin, for Haiphong.  
27, City of Peking, for Yokohama and  
San Francisco.

**CLEARED.**  
Helena, for Kelung.  
Amoy, for Amoy, &c.  
Fuyoo, for Shanghai.  
Nourmahal, for Manila.  
Tartar, for Bangkok.  
Com Dupont, for Bangkok.  
Livingstone, for Chofoo.

**PASSENGERS.**  
**ARRIVED.**  
Per Kishgar, for Hongkong: from Sou-  
thampton, Rev. O. F. Warren, Miss Cas-  
pary, Mrs. and Miss Mackie, Rev. Mr. and  
Mrs. Banister, Messrs T. Scott, and J.  
Johnson; from Bombay, Mr. R. J. Solomon;  
from Penang, 7 passengers; from Singapore,  
104 Chinese; from Yokohama: from Sou-  
thampton, Mr. B. H. Pratt, Mrs. Marshall  
and infant; from Venice, Rev. E. C. Hop-  
per.  
Per Yangtze, from Shanghai, 64 Chinese.  
Per Pernambuco, from Newchwang, 1  
Russian.  
**DEPARTED.**  
Per Sumida Maru, for Kobe, &c., Rev. and  
Mrs. Post, Mr. and Mrs. Ordenez  
Messrs Cotones, Hduyner, Hensetr, and  
3 in Steerage.  
Per Glenorchy, for London, Opt. Hunter;  
and 10 Chinese.  
Per City of Peking, for Yokohama and  
San Francisco, 10 Europeans, and 134 Chi-  
nese.  
Per Conquest, for Haiphong, 2 Chinese.  
**TO DEPART.**  
Per Amoy, for Amoy, &c., Messrs L.  
Harris, R. Coudrie, and 200 Chinese.  
Per Fuyoo, for Shanghai, 12 Chinese.  
Per Com Dupont, for Bangkok, 2 Euro-  
peans, and 18 Chinese.

**SHIPPING REPORT.**  
The British steamer Yangtze reports:  
Left Shanghai on the 23rd inst. at 4.30  
a.m., arrived at Hongkong on the 26th  
11.30 p.m.; Mail closed at 4.30 p.m. Late  
Amoy, thence to port fresh monsoon.  
The British steamer Pernambuco reports:  
Light Southerly wind the first part, and  
later steady monsoon and fine weather.

**POST OFFICE NOTICES.**  
MAILS will close:—  
For HAIKONG.—  
Per Generala, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the  
28th inst.  
For SHANGHAI.—  
Per Fuyoo, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the  
28th inst.  
For SHANGHAI.—  
Per S. S. Kishgar, To-morrow, the 28th  
inst. Registry closes at 4.15  
p.m. Mail closes at 4.30 p.m. Late  
Letters received from 4.40 p.m. to  
5 p.m. with 10 cents Late Fee.  
Paid Correspondence may then be  
posted in the movable box on board  
the vessel.  
The Post Office will be open to-mor-  
row from 9 to 9 a.m., and from 3.30 p.m.  
to 5 p.m.  
For SWATOW, SETSUNG, and FOCHOW.—  
Per Generala, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday,  
the 29th inst.  
For COOKTOWN, BRISBANE, SYD-  
NEY, MELBOURNE, &c., &c.—  
Per Claverhouse, at 3.30 p.m., on Mon-  
day, the 29th inst. (Supplementary  
mail on board extra postage 10  
cents.)  
For SAIGON.—  
Per Tunis, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the  
29th inst., instead of as previously  
notified.  
For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOCHOW.—  
Per Nemo, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the  
29th inst.  
For NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKO-  
HAMA.—  
Per Malacca, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the  
30th inst.  
For PORT DARWIN and ADELAIDE.—  
Per Ocean, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday,  
the 1st December, instead of as pre-  
viously notified.

**General Memoranda.**  
TUESDAY, November 30:—  
Daylight.—Macao leaves for Coast Ports  
twice per Amazona undelivered after  
noon, subject to rent and landing  
charges.  
WEDNESDAY, December 1:—  
2 p.m.—Auction of Sundries at Wanchi  
Godown Company's godown, No. 2,  
Wanchi.  
4 p.m.—English Mail leaves for Ports of  
Call and Europe.  
THURSDAY, December 2:—  
11 a.m.—Ferdinand leaves for Singapore,  
Colombo, &c.  
SATURDAY, December 4:—  
11 a.m.—Auction of Salt at Messrs Land-  
stein & Co.'s godown, No. 61, Wanchi.  
Goods per Forward undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.  
9 p.m.—Meeting of Zealand Lodge.  
WEDNESDAY, December 2:—  
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of  
Call and Europe.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

### RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.—Rev. W. Jen-  
nings, M.A., Colonial Chaplain. Morning  
Service 11, Evening 5.45 (a short service).  
Holy Communion every Sunday, except  
the 2nd and 4th in the month.  
Military Service.—Rev. O. Gilbert Booth,  
R.A., Military Chaplain. Parade Service  
at 8 a.m. Holy Communion on the second  
and fourth Sundays at the conclusion of  
the Parade Service. [A Voluntary Service  
is held in the Garrison Theatre at 7.45  
p.m.]  
Union Church.—Morning Service, at  
11 a.m., Evening at 6 p.m.—Divine Service  
in Chinese, 2-3 p.m. every Sunday, with  
communion on first Sunday of every month.  
—Rev. Dr. Chalmers.  
St. Peter's Church, for SEAMEN, &c.—  
Rev. C. Gilbert Booth, B.A., Chaplain.  
Service at 5 p.m. Holy Communion after  
Service on the third Sunday in each month.  
All the Seata are free.  
LONDON MISSION CHURCH, Queen's Road  
West.—Hongkong Christian Association  
Service for Seamen, Sunday and Thursday,  
7.30 p.m.  
St. Stephen's Mission Church.—Rev.  
J. Grundy, and Rev. Lo Sam Yuen.  
(All Services in Chinese.) Morning  
Prayer:—Liturgy, Antiphon, Communion, and  
Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3  
p.m. Teaching, at 6.30 p.m. Holy Com-  
munion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month.  
BERLIN FOUNDING HOUSE.—Service in  
the German language, by Pastor F. Kitzke,  
every Sunday, at half-past ten a.m., in  
the Chapel of the Berlin Founding House,  
West Point.  
St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.—  
8 a.m. Mass and Sermon. 6 p.m. Evening  
Service, Benediction.

**MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.**  
Shipping.—  
4 p.m.—Ocean leaves for Port Farwin,  
Adelaide, &c., on or about this date.  
4 p.m.—Gedon, leaves for Bombay.

**Auction.**  
11 a.m.—Auction of American Cotton  
Duck at Mr. G. H. Lammert's.  
2 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Ware, &c.,  
at Mr. J. M. Armstrong's.

**Amusement.**  
9 p.m.—Operatic Performance at the City  
Hall.

## THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Established A.D. 1841.  
香港大藥房  
A. S. WATSON & Co.,  
FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,  
IMPORTERS  
OF  
DRUGGISTS' Sundries, NURSERY REQUI-  
SITES, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH,  
AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT  
MEDICINES.  
MANUFACTURERS  
OF  
Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,  
Gingerale, Potale Water, Sarsaparilla  
Water, and other Aromatic Waters.  
The Manufactory is under direct and  
continuous European Supervision.  
Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

**BIRTH.**  
At Tientsin, on the 10th November, the  
Wife of S. E. WILLIAMS, of a Daughter.

**DEATHS.**  
On the 27th Sept., at Utine-in-Hardanger,  
Norway, ANNE HELLMAN, formerly Secre-  
tary of the Pootch Arsenal.  
On the 17th Oct., at Weston-super-Mare,  
FRYBETH, Daughter of Captain Donald  
Matheson, of Shintee, and sister of the late  
Sir James Matheson, Bart., aged 92.  
On the 8th Oct., at Edinburgh, John  
MYRTLE, of Manchester, late of Batavia,  
aged 61 years.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 8.40 p.m.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOV. 27, 1880.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next AMERICAN MAIL may be looked for here  
on or about the 1st Dec., by the O. & O.  
steamer Galle, which brings San Francisco  
dates to the 4th inst.

**ORDER OF SERVICE AT THE CATHEDRAL—  
ADVENT SUNDAY.**  
Matins.—Venite, No. 4; Psalm, Nos. 149  
and 151; Te Deum, Hymn, "Oh Lord,  
reluctant, No. 89; Anthem, "Oh Lord,  
in the heart of the earth" (Gill);  
Hymn, No. 51.  
Evangelium.—Psalm, Nos. 150 and 155;  
Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, Paravian  
Tones; Hymns, Nos. 48, and 12.

The delivery of the English mail was begun  
at 1.10 this afternoon.  
The French corvette Champlain left Shang-  
hai for Yokohama on the 19th.

The U.S. corvette Albatross left Shanghai  
on the morning of the 19th for Tientsin.  
The excursion of the Artillery Volunteers  
to Stanley has been postponed, we under-  
stand, until Saturday next.

The United States frigate Richmond, car-  
rying the flag of Rear-Admiral Olitz, has  
arrived at Woonung from Japan.

We are informed by the Agents (Messrs  
Jardine, Matheson & Co.), that the S.S.  
Moray left Singapore for this port this  
morning.  
It will be seen from the news we give also  
where the Flying Squadron, with the  
Bacchant, on board of which are the Princes  
Albert Victor and George of Wales, is  
timed to arrive here exactly twelve months  
to-day.

Thirteen prisoners were brought to the  
Police Magistrate this morning on a charge  
of being concerned in the murder of three  
persons in the village of Kwai Shing, in  
Chinese territory and about three days'  
journey from British Kowloon. The Police

at Hong Ham had been informed of the mat-  
ter, and had been asked to arrest the pri-  
soners by the authorities of the village,  
pending communication with the Mandarin  
of the district. Several of the witnesses  
have yet to be produced, and the case will be  
brought before the Court on Tuesday next,  
the 30th instant.

Our attention has been drawn to an article  
which recently appeared in *The Sunday  
At Home* magazine, under the title of  
"Incidents of a Journey Round the  
World," by the Rev. W. Urwick, M.A. It  
forms three chapters or sections of the  
globe-trot, and descends on Hongkong,  
Macao and Canton. On the whole, the  
writer gives a fairly accurate notion of the  
physical features of the places above named;  
but the sketchy, note-book style is one  
which commonly and not unreasonably irri-  
tates and annoys those most immediately  
concerned. The article, indeed, though  
probably not malicious, exhibits all the  
worst features of the "globe-trotting" and  
book-making mania. Whoever Mr Urwick  
met was fabled to appear in the *Sunday  
At Home*; and those who did not meet  
him may therefore be deeply thankful. At  
Macao, the writer seems to have met with  
no one; and he consequently writes a few  
lines which are not far from the truth about  
the Holy City. In Canton, however, the  
rev. gentleman fell sadly into temptation.  
He got into conversation with many  
of the missionaries there: he became  
imbued with the spirit of the great  
Term controversy; and he privately ob-  
tained some of the stronger instances of  
how a certain Mission lost the real mean-  
ing of certain hymns in translation. This  
doubtless was given confidentially to the  
writer; but as it forms the principal fea-  
ture of this globe-trotter's sketch, such a  
consideration could not for a moment be  
entertained; and the conversation, with  
names and all details necessary, are faith-  
fully reproduced. Concerning Shanghai,  
however, Mr Urwick outstrips himself, and  
constitutes the *Sunday At Home* a sort  
of rival to the *Family Fair* and  
Truth school of society journals. What  
the missionary told him concerning the  
Shanghai "hindrances to Christianity" was  
somewhat vague, and it seems to us  
to be to a very great extent the silly  
chit-chat of a neighbourhood should be  
considered worthy of a place in the *Sunday  
At Home*. It is to be hoped that a certain  
amount of circumspection will follow the  
publication of such twaddle, and that when  
residents in the East meet literary "globe-  
trotters" they will be careful as to the  
remarks they make touching their next-  
door neighbours. Or, if it be admitted  
to such people that we have our failings,  
let the admission be accompanied by a  
special prayer that our names and short-  
comings may not be printed in a "goody-  
goody" periodical published by the Re-  
ligious Tract Society.

An interesting point arises in connection  
with the shooting of one of the new officers  
of one of the Chinese Revenue cruisers ("Vr  
Page") of a Chinaman, who was making off  
with some balls of opium from one of C. M.  
S. N. Co.'s steamers some time ago; we  
mentioned the case at the time. The Chi-  
nese authorities, in whose service he had  
been, exonerated him entirely; and the  
British Consul, considering that a British  
subject had been guilty of homicide, cul-  
pable or otherwise, held that the case was  
one which should be enquired into, and he  
accordingly held a formal investigation with  
the natural result.—The Consul not having  
the power to deal with such cases him-  
self, the case was committed for trial.  
The case will be tried either at Shanghai  
or before the Supreme Court here, probably  
before the latter, which would be much more  
convenient than the other. The interest-  
ing point in the case will be that here, we  
have a British subject, engaged legally ac-  
cording to treaty in the service of a For-  
eign Government, shooting a subject of that  
foreign Government, and now being tried  
by his own countrymen.

The *Singapore Times* of the 16th instant  
states, on the authority of Signor A. Ferrari,  
the agent in advance of the Carolina Patti  
Troupe, that that artist owing to a tele-  
gram received from Calcutta, "will leave  
Batavia for Singapore on the 18th instant,  
and go on to India by the next B. I. S. N.  
Co.'s steamer; she was to give a Farewell  
Overture in the Town Hall Singapore, on  
the 23rd or 24th inst. This would seem to  
preclude the Troupe coming on to Hong-  
kong at present; but we trust we may see  
them here later.

A PENSANG correspondent writes:—  
I suppose it would be quite superfluous  
for me to say much about the collision  
which took place, about a fortnight since,  
between the steamers *Broomfield* and  
*Braemar Castle*. As the Court of En-  
quiry have concluded themselves with  
"concluding" the Captain of the former  
vessel, we must take for granted that he  
was not much to blame, though, to the  
uninitiated, it seems strange, let the cir-  
cumstances have been what they may, that  
the *Broomfield* had no alternative but to  
have gone straight into another vessel  
quietly resting at anchor. The *Braemar  
Castle* remains in statu quo, with only her  
masts and the top of her funnel above the  
water. Diving operations are being daily  
performed with varying success. A great  
deal of the cargo has been raised, though I  
doubt whether, after the damage it must

have sustained, it will be worth the ex-  
pense and trouble incurred in its salvage.  
With regard to raising the hull, many  
rumours are afloat, though nothing definite  
seems to be known.

Regarding the Coire Palm (or Chung Shu)  
of which "Pioneer," writing from Chung-  
King the other day, made mention, we  
now learn that seeds and leaves of this  
plant have been forwarded to Dr. Hance,  
Whampoa. In addition to the specimen of  
this Coire Palm (recently made known to  
the scientific world in Captain Gill's popu-  
lar work), "Pioneer" has sent a number  
of other plants for Dr. Hance's inspection.  
Amongst these are specimens of the fine  
edible flowers called San-pien Fuh-yung  
Wha, because they change colour three  
times a day; together with a sample of the  
Yen-tze or Yeh-ho Wha, which is largely  
used by Chinese females—the flowers fur-  
nishing colour, the seeds white powder for  
the face, and the roots a cure for a variety  
of ailments. It will be interesting to  
obtain a scientific opinion upon these  
hitherto little known botanical products of  
Canton.

We hear that five of the fine new steamers  
being built for the long coasting P. & O.  
Company are of steel; the advantage of steel  
is evident, in this material is combined an  
equal greater lightness and strength, and the  
result is that the necessary draft is lessened.  
A great consideration as regards Colombo,  
for instance.—*Ceylon Times*.

THE S. S. *Platades* had a curious experience  
this time when passing through the Canal  
and when within three miles of Suez, a  
tremendous hail-storm occurred. There had  
been no rain to speak of for a line of Chinese  
so it seemed as if compensation would be  
made in a very limited time by the hail-  
stones, some of which were an inch cube in  
size. The unusual sight was speedily pre-  
sented to the sides of the Canal being com-  
pelled by the rush of water from the meeting  
hall. Between Aden and Colombo, a good  
deal of rain was experienced.—*Ceylon Ob-  
server*.

Mr Tong Ying Sing, managing director of  
the China Merchants' Steam Navigation  
Company, lately passed through New York.  
He goes to Cuba to confer with the capi-  
tals general about establishing a regular  
steamer between China and Cuba by way of  
Suez. They would probably touch at Mar-  
sailles, Barcelona, or Gibraltar. After con-  
fering with the captain-general, Mr Tong  
Ying Sing will return to China by way of  
Europe, passing from Cuba to Southampton,  
or Liverpool, and thence by land to Brindisi.  
—*Overland Mail*.

Mr Norville having received by the last  
mail the names of the ladies and gentlemen  
who are on their way out to Bombay to join  
his theatrical company, has favoured us  
with a complete list of the company. The  
ladies are—Mrs Digby, Dr. L. Willoughby,  
Miss Edith Wilson, Miss Clara Hitchcock,  
Miss Emily Blaine, Miss Violet Vivian,  
Miss Minnie Scott, and Mr Norville. The  
gentlemen are—Mr John Burton, Mr Den-  
bigh Newton, Mr J. Turner, Mr R. Cowell,  
Mr Geo. Crofton, Mr Frank Stuart, and Mr  
George Norville. There are, besides, a me-  
chanic (Mr Morton), Mr Burton and a  
special director (Mr Dudley Wright), and a  
mechanic (Mr Morton). Mr Burton and  
Mr Crofton are to be joint stage managers.  
The company have acquired the right to  
play in India the following popular pieces:  
—"Upper Crust," "A Fool and his Money,"  
—"Dearest than Life," "Hester's Mystery,"  
—"Uncle Dick's Darling."—*Bombay  
Gazette*.

Further following is from the *Straits Times*  
Netherlands Indian News translations:—  
On the 24th Sept. the whole of the China  
Camp at Menado (Celebes) excepting a tem-  
ple and 14 other houses, was laid in ashes  
in two hours by a fire breaking out at 4  
p.m. The immense quantities of gunpowder,  
gins, arrack, petroleum, tar, &c., stored  
there, and a large quantity of the houses made  
it impossible to extinguish the fire, the  
pulling houses down, and the comparative  
absence of wind. The damage done is esti-  
mated at two millions of guilders, several  
of the amount of 60,000 guilders. By  
this calamity more than 8,000 persons have  
become homeless and are bereft of every-  
thing; they had time only to save their  
lives. No human lives were lost, but horses  
and many pigs were burnt to death.  
As is often the case, the cause of the fire  
was unknown.

The World says:—  
By the time this appears in print, Lord  
Chatham's squadron (Duchess, Flying,  
or Training, as you please) will be fairly on  
its way to Vigo. I am told at Whitehall  
that the arrangements at present made are  
definitive, and will only be subject to such  
modifications as may be necessary. The aqua-  
dron will prolong the cruise until March or  
May of 1882; but the *Bacchant* would, if  
it was found to be practicable, return home  
soon enough to enable Christmas of next  
year to be spent at home. The principal  
places to be visited, and the order in which  
they will be reached, are as follows:—Ma-  
deira, St. Vincent, Bahia, Monte Video,  
Baltavia, Valparaiso, Coquimbo, Callao,  
Guayaquil, Galapagos, Venezuela's Island,  
Sanwich Islands, Yokohama, Kobe, Na-  
gasaki, Chiofo, Shanghai, Hongkong, Singa-  
pore, Sunda Strait, Cape of Good Hope,  
and St. Helena. I have stated that Prince  
George of Wales would return from Vigo  
on the arrival of the Channel Squadron,  
and this was the arrangement; but he and  
his brother have, I understand, again  
written home, warmly asking not to be  
separated; so, after all, that arrangement  
may fall through.

The *Penny Gazette* of the 10th November,  
contains the following account of the loss  
of the British barque *Tamara* bound to  
Singapore with coal from Greenock:—  
The S. S. *Deceitful*, arrived here on  
Monday with the crew of the British barque  
*Tamara*, Captain Martin, which was burnt  
off Oboloh between the 2nd and 4th  
instants. The official report of the Captain  
runs as follows:—  
"The barque *Tamara*, 820 tons Register,  
belonging to Messrs Greizer, Turberville and  
Co., of Glasgow, sailed from Greenock on  
Friday, the 25th July last, with a cargo of  
coal for Singapore. On 2nd November,  
when off Pulo Bras N. N. 38 miles, fire  
or smoke was discovered issuing from the  
cargo. Notwithstanding all our efforts to  
extinguish it by pumping water into the  
hold, the fire gained rapidly upon us. At  
11.30 p.m. on the 4th I anchored off  
Oboloh in 8 fathoms. At 4 a.m. on the 5th  
the flames were issuing out of the main

hatch, and I ordered the crew to leave  
the ship, finding it impossible to save  
anything. At 2 p.m. some day the three  
masts had fallen over the ship's side, and  
ship burnt to the water's edge. Having  
previously slipped her anchors the wreck  
had drifted ashore and lies now in 8 fath-  
oms water. I reported the disaster to  
Lloyd's agent at Oboloh, and he has tele-  
graphed the same to London. The crew of  
17 hands, arrived with me this morning in  
the S. S. *Deceitful* from Oboloh."

We are greeted by Captain Martin to  
express his sincere thanks and those of his  
crew for the generous assistance and great  
kindness shown them by the officials and  
others at Oboloh, as also by H. N. Ma-  
jesty's S. S. *Deceitful* and Messrs Kats  
Brother's S. S. *Deceitful*.

Sir Hercules Robinson is perhaps the  
most popular Colonial Governor in ex-  
istence, and the Australian papers have  
lately been full of stories about him.  
A story in the Melbourne *Argus* has the  
following:—  
"I don't if any Governor, in any of the  
Australian group of colonies at any time  
has achieved such a well-earned reputation  
for talent and administrative ability, com-  
bined with the hearty appreciation of his  
bonhomie and manliness, as Sir Hercules  
Robinson, who has now left our shores.  
His lack in Victoria has been said. We  
rejoiced his compulsory two months' sojourn,<



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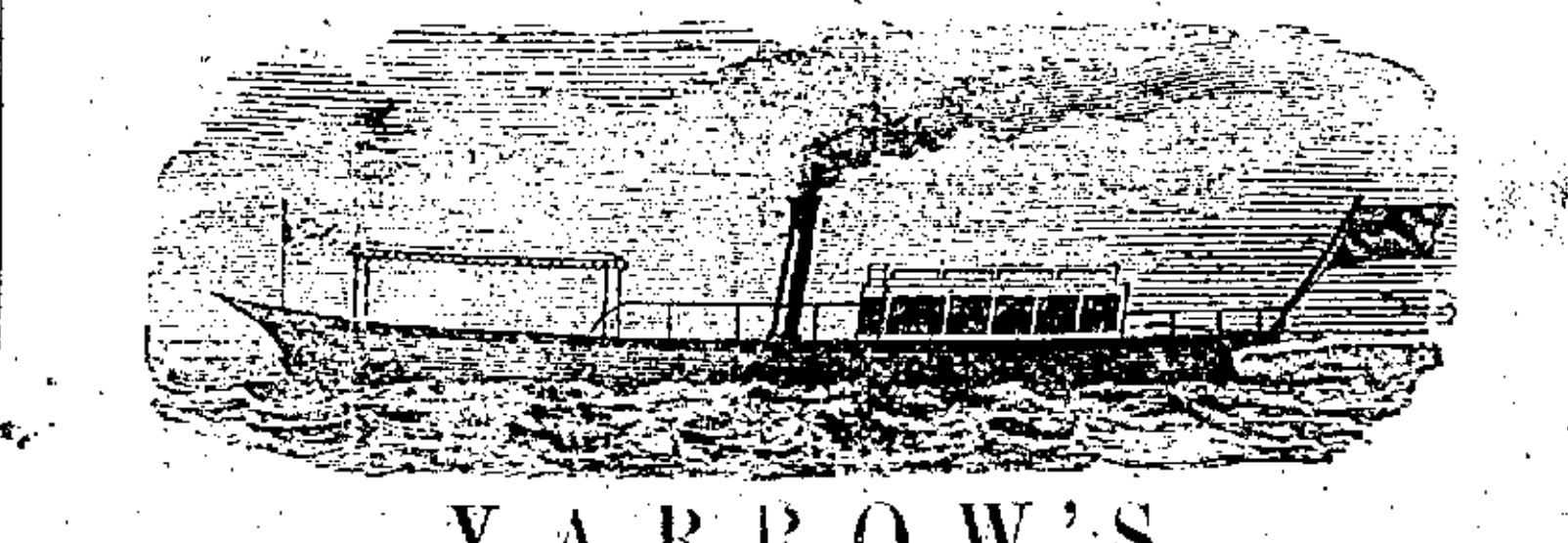
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**LIFE IN CHINA:**  
*(Shanghai Courier.)*

"Depend upon it," said an enthusiastic friend to us the other day, "a man better in China than he would be at home." It certainly makes a great deal of difference to part of China a man is living in, whether he is in Shanghai (which, by the way, our enthusiastic friend was not in one of the small river ports, or Canton, where the summer seems to go on end, and the principal amusement life is walking up and down "the bear-walk" on the strip of asphalt from Shumeen. But even in Shanghai, we will not go so far as to say that a man is better off there than elsewhere. We do think, however, that a man has to earn his bread and butter considerably better off in Shanghai than anywhere else can gain here, that if he have been if he had stayed in London, Manchester, or Glasgow, or any of those Old Country foreign residents in Shanghai must have a fairly good income. We do not mean to say that he need be strong enough to support the shabby summer, which ordinarily in Shanghai, but which was most conspicuous by its absence in the present season.

The majority of the illnesses which are ascribed to climate, are undoubtedly due to one's having indulged oneself freely in the good things of life, not having been able to abstain from seductive cocktails in the morning drinks between meals at other times of the day. Let an ordinary man live in the same way as he would in England, practising the same moderation in eating and drinking, and the reason, when the day comes to turn his back on China last time, why he should not return to England as hale a man as he first left it, and with every prospect of enjoying a vigorous and old age. It is probably to the fact that he is fond of out-of-door exercises, sports, and games, that Shanghai, the greatest attractions. We find place anywhere that presents advantages of town and country combined in the same degree that Shanghai does. To a clerk in the City at home, and shooting are, expect undue

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"Early European Researches in the Flora of China."

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